

**249J.10 Maximization of funding for indigent patients.**

1. Unencumbered certified local matching funds may be used to cover the state share of the cost of services for the expansion population.

2. The department may include in its annual budget submission, recommendations relating to a disproportionate share hospital and graduate medical education allocation plan that maximizes the availability of federal funds for payments to hospitals for the care and treatment of indigent patients.

3. If state and federal law and regulations so provide and if federal disproportionate share hospital funds and graduate medical education funds are available under Tit. XIX of the federal Social Security Act, federal disproportionate share hospital funds and graduate medical education funds shall be distributed as specified by the department.

2005 Acts, ch 167, §10, 66; 2010 Acts, ch 1061, §180; 2010 Acts, ch 1141, §8